Ms. Donna Nackers, Assistant Director of Reimbursement Mariner Post-Acute Network One Ravinia Drive, Suite 1500 Atlanta, Georgia 30346

Re: AC# 3-HAL-J7 – GranCare South Carolina, Inc. d/b/a Hallmark Health Care Center

Dear Ms. Nackers:

The accompanying report has been prepared by our office based on your Medicaid Financial and Statistical Report submitted to the Department of Health and Human Services for the cost report period October 1, 1996 through September 30, 1997. That report was used to set the rate covering the contract periods beginning October 1, 1998.

We are recommending that the Department of Health and Human Services certify an accounts receivable to recover amounts due as a result of the rate change shown on Exhibit A. You will be notified of repayment terms by that Agency.

If you take exception to this report in any manner, you have the right to appeal in accordance with the <u>Code of Laws of South Carolina</u>, 1976 as amended, Title 44, and Department of Health and Human Services Regulation R.126-150, and you must respond in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of this letter. This written response must address the specific items in the report being appealed, and must be directed to the Appeals and Hearings, Department of Health and Human Services, Post Office Box 8206, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8206. Any correspondence should include the control number appearing on Exhibit A of this report.

Thomas L. Wagner, Jr., CPA State Auditor

TLWjr/trb

cc: Ms. Brenda L. Hyleman

Mr. Jeff Saxon Mr. Robert M. Kerr

GRANCARE SOUTH CAROLINA, INC. D/B/A HALLMARK HEALTH CARE CENTER

SUMMERVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA

CONTRACT PERIODS BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1998 AC# 3-HAL-J7

REPORT ON CONTRACT

FOR

PURCHASE OF NURSING CARE SERVICES

WITH

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

September 23, 1999

Department of Health and Human Services State of South Carolina Columbia, South Carolina

We have performed the procedures described below, which were agreed to by the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, solely to compute the rate change and related adjusted reimbursement rate to be used by the Department in determining the reimbursement settlement with GranCare South Carolina, Inc. d/b/a Hallmark Health Care Center, for the contract periods beginning October 1, 1998, and for the twelve month cost report period ended September 30, 1997, as set forth in the accompanying schedules. This engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the Department of Health and Human Services. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

- 1. We tested selected costs or areas based on our analytical procedures applied to the reimbursable Medicaid program costs as shown on the Financial and Statistical Report for Nursing Homes, as filed by GranCare South Carolina, Inc. d/b/a Hallmark Health Care Center, to determine if these costs were allowable as defined by the State Plan for Medicaid reimbursement purposes and supported by accounting and statistical records maintained by the provider. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Adjustment Report, Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days and Cost of Capital Reimbursement Analysis sections of this report.
- 2. We recomputed the Computation of Reimbursement Rate using the adjusted costs and calculated the rate change in accordance with the provisions of the contract between the Department of Health and Human Services and GranCare South Carolina, Inc. d/b/a Hallmark Health Care Center dated as of June 3, 1996 as amended. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Computation of Rate Change and Computations of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate sections of this report.

Department of Health and Human Services State of South Carolina September 23, 1999

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the specified elements, accounts, or items. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified party.

Thomas L. Wagner, Jr., CPA State Auditor

Computation of Rate Change For the Contract Periods Beginning October 1, 1998 AC# 3-HAL-J7

	10/01/98- 11/30/98	12/01/98- 09/30/99
Interim reimbursement rate (1)	\$95.30	\$96.05
Adjusted reimbursement rate	87.60	88.35
Decrease in reimbursement rate	\$ <u>7.70</u>	\$ <u>7.70</u>

(1) Interim reimbursement rate from the South Carolina Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) Provider Rate Listing dated December 8, 1998

Computation of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate
For the Contract Period October 1, 1998 Through November 30, 1998
AC# 3-HAL-J7

	Incentives	Allowable Cost	Cost Standard	Computed Rate
Costs Subject to Standards:	111001101100		<u>5 6 4 1 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4</u>	
General Services		\$34.93	\$46.64	
Dietary		8.50	9.93	
Laundry/Housekeeping/Maint.		7.65	8.11	
Subtotal	\$ <u>4.53</u>	51.08	64.68	\$51.08
Administration & Med. Rec.	\$	18.08	10.90	10.90
Subtotal		69.16	\$ <u>75.58</u>	61.98
Costs Not Subject to Standards:				
Utilities Special Services Medical Supplies & Oxy. Taxes and Insurance Legal Fees		2.42 3.47 3.61 2.53		2.42 3.47 3.61 2.53
TOTAL		\$ <u>81.19</u>		74.01
Inflation Factor (3.60%)				2.66
Cost of Capital				8.93
Cost of Capital Limitation				-
Profit Incentive (Max. 3.5% of Al	lowable Cost)			-
Cost Incentive				4.53
Effect of \$1.75 Cap on Cost/Profi	t Incentives			(2.78)
Minimum Wage Add On				25
ADJUSTED REIMBURSEMENT RATE				\$ <u>87.60</u>

Computation of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate
For the Contract Periods December 1, 1998 Through September 30, 1999
AC# 3-HAL-J7

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Cost of Capital Limitation				-
Profit Incentive (Max. 3.5% of Al.	lowable Cost)			-
Cost Incentive				4.53
Effect of \$1.75 Cap on Cost/Profit	Incentives			(2.78)
Minimum Wage and CNA Add-Ons				1.00
ADJUSTED REIMBURSEMENT RATE				\$ <u>88.35</u>

Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days
For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
AC# 3-HAL-J7

Ermanaga	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as	Adjustm		Adjusted
<u>Expenses</u>	Adjusted by DH&HS	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>	Totals
General Services	\$1,096,823	\$ -	\$ 4,846(3) 3,787(12)	\$1,088,190
Dietary	269,831	-	4,945(4)	264,886
Laundry	47,705	277(15)	-	47,982
Housekeeping	84,338	492(15)	4,635(16)	80,195
Maintenance	120,834	711(15)	4,158(5) 1,102(6) 6,264(16)	110,021
Administration & Medical Records	572,530	1,374(15)	10,688(16)	563,216
Utilities	83,804	491(15)	4,765(7) 4,260(16)	75,270
Special Services	112,425	-	5(13) 4,424(14)	107,996
Medical Supplies & Oxygen	278,356	-	13,737(9) 1,518(10) 3,398(11) 66,672(12) 80,624(13)	112,407
Taxes & Insurance	93,570	518(15)	10,949(8) 4,177(16)	78,962
Legal Fees	-	-	-	-

Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days
For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
AC# 3-HAL-J7

	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as	Adjustm		Adjusted
Expenses	Adjusted by DH&HS	<u>Debit</u>	Credit	Totals
Cost of Capital	288,959	14,488(2) 696(15) 1,224(17)	26,088(1) 1,004(16)	278,275
Subtotal	3,049,175	20,271	262,046	2,807,400
Ancillary	198,777	-	-	198,777
Non-Allowable	1,261,674	26,088(1) 580(5) 4,765(7) 13,718(9) 891(11) 70,459(12) 80,629(13) 4,424(14) 31,028(16)	14,488(2) 4,559(15) 1,224(17)	1,473,985
Total Operating Expenses	\$ <u>4,509,626</u>	\$ <u>252,853</u>	\$ <u>282,317</u>	\$ <u>4,480,162</u>
Total Patient Days	* <u>31,156</u>			31,156
*Adjusted to 97% occupa	ancy			

Total Beds

ADJUSTMENT <u>NUMBER</u>	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
1	Accumulated Depreciation Other Equity Nonallowable Fixed Assets Cost of Capital	\$ 45,772 334,925 26,088	\$380,697 26,088
	To adjust fixed assets and related depreciation to allowable HIM-15-1, Sections 2102.3 and 2304 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
2	Cost of Capital Nonallowable	14,488	14,488
	To adjust depreciation expense and loan cost amortization to comply with capital cost policy State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
3	Retained Earnings Nursing	4,846	4,846
	To properly charge expense applicable to the prior period HIM-15-1, Section 2302.1		
4	Retained Earnings Dietary	4,945	4,945
	To properly charge expense applicable to the prior period HIM-15-1, Section 2302.1		

ADJUSTMENT <u>NUMBER</u>	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
5	Nonallowable Retained Earnings Maintenance	580 3,578	4,158
	To properly charge expense applicable to the prior period and disallow expense due to lack of documentation HIM-15-1, Sections 2302.1 and 2304		
6	Retained Earnings Maintenance	1,102	1,102
	To properly charge expense applicable to the prior period HIM-15-1, Section 2302.1		
7	Nonallowable Utilities	4,765	4,765
	To disallow cable TV expense HIM-15-1, Section 2106		
8	Retained Earnings Taxes and Insurance Accrued Property Taxes	13,463	10,949 2,514
	To adjust property taxes and related accrual to actual HIM-15-1, Section 2302.1		
9	Nonallowable Retained Earnings Medical Supplies	13,718 19	13,737
	To properly charge expense applicable to the prior period and disallow expense due to lack of documentation HIM-15-1, Sections 2302.1 and 2304		

Adjustment Report For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997 AC# 3-HAL-J7

ADJUSTMENT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
10	Retained Earnings Medical Supplies	1,518	1,518
	To properly charge expense applicable to the prior period HIM-15-1, Section 2302.1		
11	Nonallowable Retained Earnings Medical Supplies	891 2,507	3,398
	To properly charge expense applicable to the prior period and disallow expense due to lack of documentation HIM-15-1, Sections 2302.1 and 2304		
12	Nonallowable Nursing Medical Supplies	70,459	3,787 66,672
	To disallow expense due to lack of documentation HIM-15-1, Section 2304		
13	Nonallowable Special Services Medical Supplies	80,629	5 80,624
	To remove special (ancillary) services reimbursed by Medicare State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
14	Nonallowable Special Services	4,424	4,424
	To adjust co-insurance for Medicare Part B services to allowable State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		

ADJUSTMENT NUMBER	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
15	Laundry Housekeeping Maintenance Administration Utilities Taxes and Insurance Cost of Capital Nonallowable	277 492 711 1,374 491 518 696	4,559
	To reverse DH&HS adjustment to remove indirect cost applicable to non-reimbursable cost centers HIM-15-1, Section 2102.3 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
16	Nonallowable Housekeeping Maintenance Administration Utilities Taxes and Insurance Cost of Capital	31,028	4,635 6,264 10,688 4,260 4,177 1,004
	To remove indirect cost applicable to non-reimbursable cost centers HIM-15-1, Section 2102.3 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		

ADJUSTMENT <u>NUMBER</u>	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
17	Cost of Capital Nonallowable	1,224	1,224
	To adjust capital return to allowable State Plan, Attachment 4.19		
	TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	\$ <u>665,528</u>	\$ <u>665,528</u>

Due to the nature of compliance reporting, adjustment descriptions and references contained in the preceding Adjustment Report are provided for general guidance only and are not intended to be all-inclusive.

Cost of Capital Reimbursement Analysis
For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
AC# 3-HAL-J7

Original Asset Cost (Per Bed)	\$ 15,618
Inflation Adjustment	2.1814
Deemed Asset Value (Per Bed)	34,069
Number of Beds	88
Deemed Asset Value	2,998,072
Improvements Since 1981	114,046
Accumulated Depreciation at 9/30/97	(345,939)
Deemed Depreciated Value	2,766,179
Market Rate of Return	0.067
Total Annual Return	185,334
Return Applicable to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	(1,907)
Allocation and Interest to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	18
Allowable Annual Return	183,445
Depreciation Expense	95,054
Amortization Expense	780
Capital Related Income Offsets	-
Allocation of Capital Expenses to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	(1,004)
Allowable Cost of Capital Expense	278,275
Total Patient Days (Minimum 97% Occupancy)	31,156
Cost of Capital Per Diem	\$8.93